

# Wisconsin Hepatitis C Surveillance Summary

Cases Reported 01/01/2003 through 12/31/2003

## Summary

Total	3,593	100%
Confirmed (1)	2,615	73%
Unconfirmed (2)	978	27%

## Gender

Males	2,507	70%
Females	1,077	30%
Unknown	9	0%

## Age

0-12	13	0%
13-19	24	1%
20-29	141	4%
30-39	542	15%
40-49	1,593	44%
50+	1,276	36%
Unknown	4	0%

## Race

White	1,438	40%
Black	486	14%
Am Indian	48	1%
Asian	11	0%
Other	8	0%
Unknown	1,602	45%

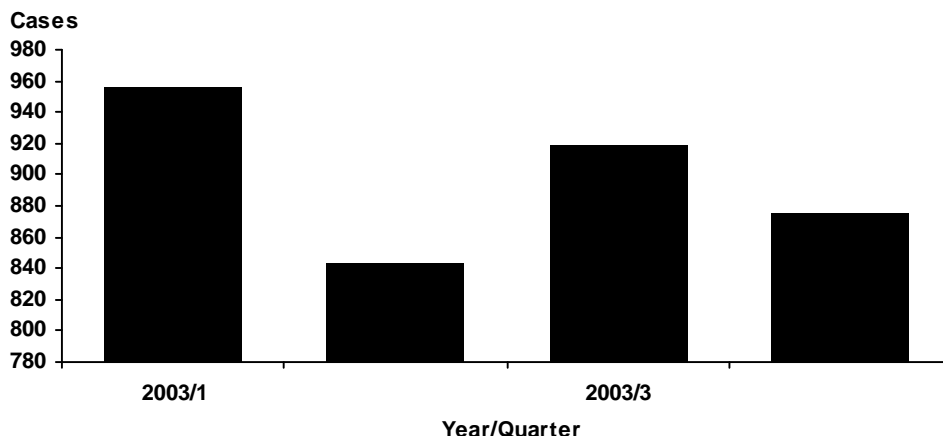
## Ethnicity

Hispanic	107	3%
Not Hispanic	1,473	41%
Unknown	2,013	56%

## Reported cases by county

Adams	20	Florence	0	Marathon	31	Rusk	6
Ashland	9	Fond Du Lac	34	Marinette	21	St Croix	10
Barron	14	Forest	13	Marquette	8	Sauk	40
Bayfield	4	Grant	8	Menominee	3	Sawyer	11
Brown	69	Green	8	Milwaukee	1122	Shawano	11
Buffalo	1	Green Lake	6	Monroe	25	Sheboygan	30
Burnett	9	Iowa	8	Oconto	11	Taylor	3
Calumet	7	Iron	2	Oneida	20	Trempealeau	6
Chippewa	16	Jackson	4	Outagamie	51	Vernon	4
Clark	7	Jefferson	26	Ozaukee	30	Vilas	18
Columbia	23	Juneau	15	Pepin	2	Walworth	47
Crawford	2	Kenosha	105	Pierce	8	Washburn	9
Dane	237	Kewaunee	4	Polk	19	Washington	37
Dodge	26	La Crosse	58	Portage	18	Waukesha	99
Door	6	Lafayette	1	Price	7	Waupaca	27
Douglas	24	Langlade	8	Racine	110	Waushara	14
Dunn	12	Lincoln	4	Richland	5	Winnebago	70
Eau Claire	38	Manitowoc	23	Rock	131	Wood	27
						Unknown	651

## Reported cases by quarter



## Footnotes:

(1) Confirmed: A positive recombinant immunoblot assay (RIBA) or polymerase chain reaction (PCR) test result, a detectable viral load or identified genotype.

(2) Unconfirmed: A positive enzyme immunoassay test result and no other test result reported.

## Technical Notes:

a. This report is compiled by the Wisconsin Hepatitis C Program and is based upon hepatitis C infection case reports submitted to the program by laboratories and local health departments (LHDs). Hepatitis C virus (HCV) is a reportable communicable disease by Wisconsin administrative rule (HFS 145, Appendix A). Laboratories and health care providers should report HCV cases or suspected cases to the LHD within 72 hours of identification. Once the cases are reported, LHDs contact persons with HCV to provide health education, risk reduction counseling, and medical referral.

b The majority of HCV cases reported to the Wisconsin Hepatitis C program are reported by laboratories. However, laboratories do not generally report demographic data such as region, race, or age. Thus, the surveillance summary data by demographic characteristics are often unknown.

c. Most of the HCV cases in the surveillance data represent chronic HCV cases of persons who were infected years ago. Persons with acute infection are often unaware that they have HCV because acute HCV often presents without symptoms.

## For more information:

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